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CLAIMS:

What is claimed is:

1. A method in a data processing system for searching
5 for information, the method comprising:
responsive to receiving an input string, parsing the
input string for a universal resource identifier and a
search string, wherein the universal resource identifier
and the search string are separated from each other in
10 the input string by a selected delimiter; and
searching for the information corresponding to the
search string through a Web page identified by the
universal resource identifier.
- 15 2. The method of claim 1, wherein the searching step
comprises:
locating a search object on the Web page; and
using the search object to search for the
information.
- 20 3. The method of claim 1, wherein the searching step
comprises:
searching the Web page for information corresponding
to the search string.
- 25 4. The method of claim 3, wherein the searching step
further comprises:
searching Web pages identified by any universal
resource identifiers found on the Web page.
- 30 5. The method of claim 1, wherein the universal
resource identifier is a universal resource locator.

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6. The method of claim 1, wherein the method is implemented in a Web browser on the data processing system.

5 7. The method of claim 1, wherein the method is implemented in a program located on the data processing system.

8. The method of claim 1 further comprising:
10 presenting results of the search.

9. The method of claim 7, wherein the results are presented as a set of universal resource identifiers, wherein each universal resource identifier within the set
15 of universal identifiers locators may be selected to retrieve an associated Web page.

10. The method of claim 1, wherein the selected delimiter is at least one of a "\$", "%", "*", and "#".
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11. A method in a data processing system for searching for information, the method comprising:

responsive to receiving an input string, parsing the input string for a universal resource identifier and a
25 search string, wherein the universal resource identifier and the search string are separated from each other in the input string by a selected delimiter;

searching a Web page identified by the universal resource identifier for a search object; and

30 initiating a search for the information through the search object, wherein the search is based on the search string.

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12. A data processing system for searching for information, the data processing system comprising:

5 parsing means, responsive to receiving an input string, for parsing the input string for a universal resource identifier and a search string, wherein the universal resource locator and the search string are separated from each other in the input string by a selected character; and

10 searching means for searching for the information corresponding to the search string through a Web page identified by the universal resource identifier.

13. The data processing system of claim 12, wherein the searching means comprises:

15 locating means for locating a search object on the Web page; and

using means for using the search object to search for the information.

20 14. The data processing system of claim 12, wherein the searching means comprises:

means for searching the Web page for information corresponding to the search string.

25 15. The data processing system of claim 14, wherein the searching means further includes:

means for searching Web pages identified by any universal resource identifiers found on the Web page.

30 16. The data processing system of claim 12, wherein the universal resource identifier is a universal resource locator.

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17. The data processing system of claim 12, wherein the parsing means and the searching means are implemented in a Web browser on the data processing system.

5 18. The data processing system of claim 12, wherein the parsing means and the searching means are implemented in a program located on the data processing system.

19. The data processing system of claim 12 further
10 comprising:
 presenting means for presenting results of the search.

20. The data processing system of claim 19, wherein the
15 results are presented as a set of universal resource identifiers, wherein each universal resource identifier within the set of universal resource identifiers may be selected to retrieve an associated Web page.

20 21. The data processing system of claim 12, wherein the selected delimiter is at least one of a "\$", "%", "*", and "#".

22. A data processing system for searching for
25 information, the data processing system comprising:
 parsing means, responsive to receiving an input string, for parsing the input string for a universal resource identifier and a search string, wherein the universal resource identifier and the search string are
30 separated from each other in the input string by a selected delimiter;
 searching means for searching a Web page identified by the universal resource identifier for a search object;

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and

initiating means for initiating a search for the information through the search object, wherein the search is based on the search string.

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23. A data processing system comprising:

a bus system;

a communications unit connected to the bus system;

a memory connected to the bus system, wherein the

10 memory includes as set of instructions; and

a processing unit connected to the bus system,

wherein the processing unit executes the set of

instructions to parse the input string for a universal resource identifier and a search string in response to

15 receiving an input string, wherein the universal resource identifier and the search string are separated from each other in the input string by a selected character; and search for the information corresponding to the search string through a Web page identified by the universal
20 resource identifier.

24. A data processing system comprising:

a bus system;

a communications unit connected to the bus system;

25 a memory connected to the bus system, wherein the memory includes as set of instructions; and

a processing unit connected to the bus system,

wherein the processing unit executes the set of

instructions to parse the input string for a universal resource identifier and a search string, wherein the

30 universal resource identifier and the search string are separated from each other in the input string by a selected delimiter, responsive to receiving an input

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string; search a Web page identified by the universal resource identifier for a search object; and initiate a search for the information through the search object, wherein the search is based on the search string.

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25. A computer program product in a computer readable medium for searching for information, the computer program product comprising:

first instructions, responsive to receiving an input
10 string, for parsing the input string for a universal resource identifier and a search string, wherein the universal resource identifier and the search string are separated from each other in the input string by a selected character; and

15 second instructions for searching for the information corresponding to the search string through a Web page identified by the universal resource identifier.

26. A computer program product in a computer readable
20 medium for searching for information, the computer program product comprising:

first instructions, responsive to receiving an input string, for parsing the input string for a universal resource identifier and a search string, wherein the
25 universal resource identifier and the search string are separated from each other in the input string by a selected delimiter;

second instructions for searching a Web page identified by the universal resource identifier for a
30 search object; and

third instructions for initiating a search for the information through the search object, wherein the search is based on the search string.

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27. A method in a data processing system for searching for information, the method comprising:

responsive to receiving an input string, parsing the
5 input string for a universal resource identifier and a search string, wherein the universal resource identifier and the search string are separated from each other in the input string by a selected delimiter; and
searching for the information corresponding to the
10 search string through a Web page identified by the universal resource identifier by at least one of (a) locating a search object on the Web page, and using the search object to search for the information; and (b) searching the Web page for information corresponding to
15 the search string.

28. A data processing system for searching for information, the data processing system comprising:

parsing means, responsive to receiving an input
20 string, for parsing the input string for a universal resource identifier and a search string, wherein the universal resource identifier and the search string are separated from each other in the input string by a selected delimiter; and
25 searching means for searching for the information corresponding to the search string through a Web page identified by the universal resource identifier by at least one of (a) locating a search object on the Web page, and using the search object to search for the
30 information; and (b) searching the Web page for information corresponding to the search string.

29. A computer program product in a computer readable

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medium searching for information, the computer program product comprising:

- first instructions, responsive to receiving an input string, for parsing the input string for a universal resource identifier and a search string, wherein the universal resource identifier and the search string are separated from each other in the input string by a selected delimiter; and
- second instructions for searching for the information corresponding to the search string through a Web page identified by the universal resource identifier by at least one of (a) locating a search object on the Web page, and using the search object to search for the information; and (b) searching the Web page for information corresponding to the search string.

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